Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for detecting a type of one of a plurality of devices attached to a graphics machine, each device being one of at least a first type, and a second type, and a third type, the method comprising:

detecting at a controller whether the type of device attached to or to be attached to the machine is of the first type, the second type or the third type, the controller being capable of preadjusting the device as a function of the detection.

Claim 2 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the device includes a type identifier, and an identifier reader can be connected to the controller.

Claim 3 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the controller sends a control signal to the device as a function of the detection.

Claim 4 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the devices can be added or removed and replaced with other devices of other types.

Claim 5 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the devices are feeders for a binding line.

Claim 6 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the devices are printing press components.

Claim 7 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising running a self-test check upon each turn-on of the machine to determine which devices are connected to the machine.

Claim 8 (currently amended):   A graphics machine comprising:

a controller;

a first device connected to the controller, the first device being categorizable as one of at least a first type, ~~and~~ a second type, and a third type, the controller detecting whether ~~the type of~~ the first device is of the first type, the second type or the third type; and

a memory accessible by the controller, the memory storing information regarding the first type and the second type and the third type;

wherein the controller automatically adjusts the first device as a function of the information.

Claim 9 (original):   The machine as recited in claim 8 wherein the first device includes a type identifier, and the machine further comprises an identifier reader connected to the controller.

Claim 10 (canceled).

Claim 11 (original):   The machine as recited in claim 8 wherein the information is stored as a table.

Claim 12 (original):   The machine as recited in claim 8 wherein the first device is connected to the controller via an electrical plug, a fixed transmission line or a wireless connection.

Claim 13 (currently amended):   The machine as recited in claim 8 wherein the graphics machine includes a second device connected to the controller, the second device being one of the first type and the second type and the third type.

Claim 14 (original):   The machine as recited in claim 8 wherein the first device is modular.

Claim 15 (original):   The machine as recited in claim 8 wherein the controller has a plurality of inputs, each input identifying a particular location of the machine.

Claim 16 (previously presented):   The machine as recited in claim 9 wherein the type identifier

is a plug having an input power pin and at least one other pin, the first type or second type being identified by a connection between the power pin and the other pin.

Claim 17 (original): The machine as recited in claim 16 wherein the input power pin and the other pin are separated by a resistor.

Claim 18 (original): The machine as recited in claim 16 wherein the at least one other pin includes two other pins, the type being determined by the presence or absence of power at the other pins when power is supplied to the input power pin.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The machine as recited in claim 8 wherein the type identifier supplies a digital signal.

Claim 20 (new): A method for operating a conveyor line for collecting printed products comprising:

operating a plurality of devices at stations along a conveyor to create a first printed product configuration, the plurality of devices including at least a first feeder feeding a first printed product to the conveyor and a second feeder feeding a second printed product collected with the first printed product;

exchanging one of the plurality of devices with a second device of another type;

detecting at a controller a type of the second device; and

operating the conveyor line as a function of the detecting to create a second product configuration different from the first printed product configuration.